

BRITISH COLUMBIA GUILD OF POTTERS

315 W. Cordova St.

Vancouver, B.C.

V6B 1E5

January 1975

NEWSLETTER

There were some minor errors in the December Newsletter. SORRY!

The home address of the corresponding secretary is:

Mrs. J.E. Polberg, 352 W. 27th Street, North Vancouver, B.C., V7N 2H4.

The next Meeting will be held on THURSDAY, FEB. 20th, 8 P.M. at the Maritime Museum.

The Travelling Show is back and at the meeting on Thursday, Feb. 20th, the returned pots will be auctioned. The money will be used to buy pots at Ceramics '75 to make up the next travelling show. Some books from the Guild's Library will accompany the new show. These books must stay with the show and are for reference only. They must not be checked out for individual use. Please write in soon and place your request for the show to come to your area. Mrs. von Hausmann is anxious to draw up a practical and efficient itinerary and share the costs with the various groups involved.

How lucky can we be? Ruth Meehan has again taken up the editorship of the Western Potter and has promised us a Spring issue in April. Put on your thinking cap, get out pencil and paper and tell Ruth what you want to hear about; or better still, write a treatise, an article, a letter, or a poem, and send it along to 315 W. Cordova St., Vancouver, V6B 1E5. Remember that communication is a two way street.

The W.A. to the Canadian Arthritic and Rheumatism Society is planning its Spring Art Sale at Hycroft on May 14th and 15th. There will be paintings, woven wall hangings and this year for the first time, pottery and sculpture. The artists set their own price, with 50% to C.A.R.S. and 50% to the artist. If you are interested send your name and address to the Guild Office on Cordova Street by April 10th. A list will be made up and forwarded to C.A.R.S. who will send out entry forms.

The Community Arts Council of Vancouver are sponsoring a lecture series by Jean Fahrni. She will speak on "Chinese Porcelain Trade Route Through S.E. Asia", at the Ruff Gibb Hall at the Vancouver Public Aquarium, Feb. 20th at 8 p.m. Silver collection and coffee.

Potters on the move:

Walter Dexter to Surrey

Robert Kingsmill to the rain forests of Bowen Island

John Reeve back from England

Frances Hatfield off to Mexico for a long winter holiday.

CELEBRATION

CERAMICS 75

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Your executive has been working overtime planning a programme for you. They are now working out the details of a Workshop to be held at the Burnaby Art Centre on Saturday, April 5th, starting at 10 a.m. and carrying through the day until 5 p.m.

We already have the names of a few hospitable Vancouver area potters who are willing to provide billets for travellers from afar for a couple of nights. Nothing fancy, no maid service or breakfast in bed, just good-hearted "take us as you find us" hospitality. Please let us know if YOU can provide accommodation for someone from out of town. Speak up at the meeting on Thurs. Feb. 20th or phone 987-3831 (Johann Polberg).

THE WORKSHOP

Sat. April 5th, Burnaby Arts Centre, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Supper and Celebration in the evening.

Programme:

1. Hand Building Sally Mitchener from Vanc. School of Art
2. Understanding Stoneware Kay Dodd. An expert in her field. Reread and Porcelain Glazes the article in the April 1974 Western Potter.
3. Glaze experimentation Jean-Marie Weakland, Faculty of Ed. U.B.C. for Oxidation Firing, Cones 06 to 8

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4. Other plans, not fully formulated at the time of writing, include an out-door firing, either a pit firing or a bonfire.

If YOU have any suggestions WRITE us a letter and let us know. We'll do our best.

Have you paid your dues have you paid your dues have you paid your dues have you ???

My typewriter does that all by itself.

Dues should be paid by September 30th of each year. 1974-75 dues should be paid by now but they are not. It is not reasonable to expect your Guild to keep you on the mailing list for the Newsletter and the Western Potter when you are not a paid-up member of the Guild. Those who have not paid their dues by February 17th will be taken off the mailing list.

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE pay your dues.

And last but not least, our sympathy to all those potters driven out of their workshops and studios by the flu' bug. Get well soon!

Johann Polberg

ENTRY FORM for WORKSHOP, Saturday April 5th 1975. Clip and mail

Workshop only Fee \$7.00

Supper and Celebration Fee \$6.00

Accommodation with Guild Members for 1 night

" " " " 2 nights

Remit fee(s) to 315 W. Cordova St. Vancouver, B.C. V6B 1E5 before March 15th.

NAME - - - - -

ADDRESS - - - - -

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* Duplicates of this form may be used

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION or RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

I would like to become a member of the British Columbia Guild of Potters.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

POSTAL CODE _____

TEL. _____

Send cheques to the Treasurer of the B.C. Guild of Potters
315 W. Cordova St.
Vancouver, B.C. V6B 1E5

Membership Fees: \$7.00 Lower Mainland & Fraser Valley
\$5.00 Other Areas
\$3.00 Students
\$7.00 Group Membership

THE POTTERS GUILD OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
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March 1975

After all these years we are finally organized as a Guild with a properly registered constitution. Our name is :

THE POTTERS GUILD OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the interest of thrift and economy, all the old stationery will be used before we order new supplies.

APRIL 5th WORKSHOP

There will be a general meeting of the Guild at Burnaby on April 5th in conjunction with the Workshop. Specific time will be announced at the Workshop. We are looking forward to seeing ou-of-town members.

The Anniversary Supper is cancelled. We cannot risk ordering from the caterers when supper applications are delayed due to postal difficulties. Those who have already paid for their supper will receive refunds from the Treasurer when regular mail deliveries have resumed. We will, however, continue to accept Workshop applications as they come into our office at 315 W.Cordova Street, Vancouver.

Instead of the supper we have planned a social gathering at the conclusion of the Workshop, when wine will be served. Costs: \$1.00 per person, which can be paid when registering for the Workshop April 5th.

We are sorry to report that the Pottery Auction was not a success. There were no reasonable bids for the pots, so it was moved and seconded, in proper democratic fashion, that the pots be stored until the sale at Hycroft and sold then. The motion was passed and the potters at Peg's Place offered to store the collection until November. There are plans to have the jurors of Ceramics '75 check the pots and select the best of them for the start of a permanent collection. Our sincere thanks go to Marie-Claire von Hausmann and Nancy Star who worked hard organizing the auction. It was a disappointing evening for them, but we can surely get a better price by selling them at Hycroft.

At the February meeting Stan Clarke told us about the new Canadian Guild of Potters that is being organized. You will remember that Frances Hatfield sent us news of this last year. The Toronto Group have set up their own Canadian Guild. Our Guild voted in favor of affiliating with this new group when the organization is complete. Stan has agreed to be our representative. He will attend a meeting in Montreal soon with representatives from all the provinces. We are indeed fortunate to have such an experienced and highly respected potter to speak on our behalf. Provincial funds are not available to us until the new Guild is "un fait accompli", but Stan travels East on business and is willing to find time for Guild affairs while he is there. Thank you from us all, Stan.

MORE NEWS of CERAMICS '75

The jurors will be the following, a group of distinguished people from a wide field of the arts:

Don Hutchinson
Sally Michener
Kay Dodd
Frances Hatfield

David Lambert
Dave Toresdahl
Joanna Staniszkis

Doris Shadbolt
Arthur Ericson
Hiro Urakami

T.V. and RADIO BROADCASTS

"Ceramics, an ancient art form comes to life through the new and the old in the Western World". This will be the topic of a panel discussion featuring David Lambert, Nancy Star, Guy Nick, David Toresdahl, Gordon Thorlaksson and Kay Dodd. It is being taped by North Vancouver Community Channel 10 Television on April 7th to be shown during the week, hopefully on Monday or Tuesday, April 7th or 8th. Check your T.V. Guide for specific time.

Gordon Thorlaksson and Sally Michener will be interviewed on CBC Radio's programme, Pacific Express, on either Tuesday or Wednesday, April 8th or 9th. That is 690 on your radio dial. Check for times.

T.V. and RADIO BROADCASTS cont'd

A showing and discussion of the pots selected for Ceramics '75 will take place on June 9th on the North Vancouver Community Channel 10. Details will follow at a later date.

Our Guild is to be included in the appendix listing Art Organizations in "The International Who's Who in Art and Antiques". ! ! !

Lorna McCahon of the Powell River Potters sent us a most encouraging letter plus an article about their group. You will be able to read about the activities of the lively group in the next issue of the Western Potter. It would be interesting to hear from similar groups throughout the province.

Douglas College Potters Club are sponsoring a FILM FESTIVAL that continues into April:

Thursday March 20th	12 - 2 pm	Raku Pottery and Primitive Firing
Friday March 21st	8 - 10 pm	" " " " "
Thursday April 24th	12 - 2 pm	Canadiana and B.C.Ceramics
Friday April 25th	8 - 10 pm	" " "

Surrey Campus, 140th St. & 92nd Ave. Room 703. Admission \$1.00

C.A.R.S.

April 11th is the last day names will be accepted for the list to be sent to C.A.R.S. for entry in their Spring Show. Names and addresses to our Cordova Street address, please.

Michael Huyghe has completely equipped space, including a gas kiln, to rent to one or two FULL TIME potters. Tel. 228-0123 or 228-9879.

A new PLANT SHOP is opening in Burnaby, perhaps in time for Easter, but certainly by April 1st. The owner, Linda Ross, is looking for various kinds of planters. There is no phone at the store yet, but you can contact her at 294-4219 if you are interested. The store will be called "TERRA PLANTS" and is located at 5238 Rumble Street, Burnaby.

"Then I went down to the potter's house,
And, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels,
And the vessel that he made of clay
Was marred in the hand of the potter;
So he made it again, another vessel
As it seemed good to the potter to make it."

Potters have been around for a long, long time.

Johann Polberg

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May 1975

The next meeting will be

June 19th at 8 PM
Fireside Room, Unitarian Church
N.E. Corner of 49th and Oak Street
Vancouver, B.C.

The Annual Meeting was held, as announced in the last Newsletter, on May 7th, with 45 members present. The Board of Directors for 1975-1976 was unanimously elected. Officers for the year will be appointed at the next executive meeting to be held on June 5th. Nancy Star showed excellent slides of Ceramics '75 which were greatly appreciated. Preliminary planning for the Hycroft Sale is underway. Marie-Claire von Hausmann is busy organizing the next Travelling Show.

Jane Bradish will be at the Cordova Street office every Tuesday from now on instead of every Thursday. Please address ALL MAIL to that address, except LIBRARY BOOKS, which must be sent to Frances Fraser, 4316 Capilano Rd., North Vancouver, B.C. V7R 4J5.

Frances tells us that all Library books are DUE now and should be returned to her, either at the June 19th meeting, or at her above-mentioned address. Please, give others a chance to borrow the Guild's books.

Copies of a letter from Luke Lindoe forwarded to us by the Canadian Guild of Potters are available from the office. Entitled "An Open Letter to the Ceramic Artists of Canada" it asks us to re-assess our needs and goals on a national level. Your ideas would be welcomed. Phone or write for a copy.

Several members have written in with suggestions for a more interesting and helpful Newsletter. A number have asked for a Question and Answer feature. With your co-operation we will give it a try. There are many knowledgeable potters who can contribute to the Newsletter via B.C. Tel. Ruth Meehan has agreed that complicated requests could be handled in the Western Potter. We'll answer the others to the best of our ability in the Newsletter. We'll look forward to your letters, and names will be withheld on request!

SUMMER EVENTS

JULY OTTAWA FESTIVAL CANADA. A Craft Exhibition and four weeks of demonstration The Federal Government is looking for craftsmen to work in display and demonstration booths. They will pay expenses plus \$200. Applications should be sent to: Canadian Crafts Council, #16, 46 Elgin St. Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5K6. AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

July 31st to August 4th

2nd Annual Midsummer Craft Market
Vancouver East Cultural Center.

For information write to

Circle Craft Center
510 Fort Street, Victoria.

Sept. 11th to Sept. 14th

Kiwanis B.C. Arts and Crafts Fair 1975
Recreation Center, North Vancouver.
Juried Area and General Display

For information write to

R.D. Handel & F.G. McCance
Kiwanis Club of Vancouver
170 West 2nd Street
North Vancouver, B.C. V7M 1C4

SUMMER READING

Available from your public library.

Glazes for Special Effects

Herbert H. Sanders

This covers crystalline glazes, copper reduction glazes, luster, underglaze, and raku glaze quite thoroughly.

Artists and Craftsmen of New Zealand

Peter Cope

Here is a quote from our old friend Harry Davis:

"Quality is, in pottery, as in everything else, the one thing that really matters Except in the case of wares with purely decorative functions, the term quality must include performance In the field of pottery this has often been ignored. Performance in this sense includes for pottery such

things as toughness, durability, and resistance to thermal shock as well as the obvious demands of function such as smooth drinking edges, non-scratching bases, and spouts that pour. These are elementary considerations and should go without saying ... It is ultimately quality which sells pots, nothing more."

ODDS and ENDS.

There may be a one-day workshop in August, with Robin Hopper, Ontario potter who is having a show at the House of Ceramics and will be held in Vancouver around the 16th of August.

Some talk of a summer excursion for Lower Mainland members.

PLEASE SEND ALL MAIL TO CORDOVA STREET ADDRESS.

There will be no Newsletter during the summer, but send in your questions, articles, philosophical comments, poetry or complaints and they will be saved for the big September issue.

Johann Polberg

Welcome to the following new members:

Attach to your membership list:

Northwest Handcraft House	110 W. Esplanade, North Vancouver	V7M 1A2	988-6912
Goffe, Denise	3321 Marine Dr. West Vancouver	V7V 1M8	926-2498
Pheely, Gerrie	641 Kenwood Rd. West Vancouver	V7S 1S7	922-0360
Hartley, Bill	12218 McNuft St. RR 1, Whonnock	VOM 1S0	
Wee La'y La'q, Laura	934-13 th St. New Westminster	V3M 4N3	
Davis, Pat	1515 Maple Bay Rd. RR 1, Duncan	V9L 1M3	748-8359
Canadian Crafts Council	#16-46 Elgin St. Ottawa	K1P 5K6	

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NEWSLETTER

July, 1975.

Happy Holidays! There won't be any General Meetings during July and August. Just a couple of Social events to keep us in touch. Our meeting date has been changed so please note, that starting in September we will have the

GENERAL MEETINGS on the THIRD WEDNESDAY of each month
at the Unitarian Church at 49th Avenue and Oak Street.
We will look forward to seeing you all on September 17th at 8:00 p.m.

In the meantime two events of a Social Nature have been planned:

A PICNIC - Saturday July 12th - 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. Iris Smith has very kindly invited us, for the fourth time, to hold the picnic at her place, which is at her new home in Maple Ridge (Haney), address: 13948 Silver Valley Road. She tells me that you turn off the Dewdney Trunk Road at 232nd Street and go up the hill for a while until you come to a fork in the road - then turn right which is Silver Valley Road. Sounds so easy, doesn't it? Her phone number is 463-3408. If you get lost, just phone for directions. Iris' picnics are always great fun so don't miss it. Families are welcome. Bring food for supper for your group - we will supply coffee. And remember to pray for a fine day!!

Galiano Island: A trip to Galiano Island has been suggested and quite a few people seemed interested. It could be August 9th or 16th. For further information phone Gordon Thorlaksson 688-0856.

Jean Fahrini is hosting the International Picnic for the Society for Asian Art at 4686 West 2nd Avenue, Vancouver, on August 10th, time 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Each person is asked to bring a National dish for their country, to contribute to the picnic supper. Phone Jean at 224-6200 for details.

Workshop: Robin Hopper is exhibiting pottery at the House of Ceramics in August and is available for workshops. We hope to arrange a workshop for the Guild. Our Committee is working on this. We will let you know the time, place, and entry fee as soon as plans are completed.

HYCROFT: Our tenth Annual Sale will be held at Hycroft this year on November 21st, Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. The number of entries has been raised to fifty (50) so work hard and save lots of your best pots for those good customers we disappointed last year. Entry fee will be three dollars (\$3.00) commission taken by the Guild 25% from members, 40% from non-members. A Committee has been formed with Gene Barker as co-ordinator and plans are well underway. We will be calling for lots of volunteers come September.

TRAVELLING SHOW: Marie von Hausmann has been very busy buying pots for the Travelling Show. If you wish to exhibit this show in your Community please contact Marie as soon as possible so an itinerary can be arranged. To equalize the cost of shipping it has been decided to charge the same amount to each group regardless of distance. This amount has not been determined yet but we hope approximately ten dollars (\$10.00) The pots have been chosen from porcelain, lustre ware and Salt glazed ware. Each pot will bear a tag giving the potter's name and some information about the pot. Contact Marie at 321 - 421 Springfield Avenue, Richmond, B.C. V7E 1Z1. Telephone: 277-4326.

LIBRARY: Frances Fraser has agreed to be librarian for the coming year. Any overdue books can be mailed to her at 4316 Capilano Road, North Vancouver, V7R 4J5. Books taken at the June General Meeting can be kept over the summer, but please return them at the September Meeting or mail to Frances. We would like to have a complete set of the Western Potter for the Guild Library. Would anyone having extra copies please send them to Frances?

PROGRAMS: Hiro Urakami is our new program Chairman and is planning some interesting programs for us. If you have some good ideas get in touch with Hiro.

FESTIVAL CANADA is being held in Ottawa during July. Akiro Tomito will be demonstrating potter there. Akiro came to Vancouver from Japan last year. You may have met him and his charming wife at the House of Ceramics. And speaking of the House of Ceramics - Hiro needs help!! Someone who could look after the Gallery three - two, or even one day a week to give him some free time for potting. Get in touch with Hiro at 684-4019.

B. C. CERAMICS '76: Your Executive is already planning for our next Juried Show. It is hoped that it will be during the time Habitat '76 is here in May. There will be people here from all over the world so just think of all the exposure your pots would get! We will want to make a good impression so please save that masterpiece.

Stan Clarke is our Provincial representative to the New Canadian Guild of Potters which is being organized, and attended their first meeting some time ago. Nancy Star got a brief report from him before our meeting in June. They felt that there is need for a National Guild for professional potters. The former Canadian Guild of Potters, which had its headquarters in Toronto for many years, will now become the Ontario Guild of Potters. Possibly Stan will be able to give us a more complete report at a later date. We are greatly indebted to him for representing B. C. Many thanks Stan.

There are several summer schools of Art offering classes in many Arts and Crafts.

The Shawnigan Summer School of the Arts: July 28th to August 28th.
Wayne Ngan, well known to us all, will be the pottery instructor. This year classes will be held at St. Michael's University School in Victoria. For information call 681-6812.

Okanagan Summer School of the Arts: July 7th to 26th.
Information: P.O. Box 141, Penticton, B. C. Telephone 493-0390.
University of B. C. Festival of Arts: June 30th to August 8th.
Classes at Handcraft House, 110 West Esplanade, North Vancouver.

For information call 228-2181, local 254.

Of interest to potters are sculpture classes by Roy C. Lewis and Raku by Bill Macdonald.

SUMMER EXHIBITIONS: Sculpture Society of B. C. Group Exhibit in wood, plastic, stone, and metal. At the Mido Gallery, 936 Main Street, Vancouver.

July 22nd to August 9th.

Canada's Western Potters and Ceramists: plus prints by Arnold Shires at the Burnaby Art Gallery, 6344 Gilpin, Burnaby. August 6th to 31st.

Vancouver International Stone Sculpture Symposium: during July and August at the Van Dusen Botanical Gardens, 37th and Oak Street, Vancouver. Twelve sculptors selected from all over the world, giving us an opportunity to see the creation of sculptures of monumental proportions. August 24th to 31st.

Work relating to this will be shown at the Vancouver Art Gallery. ↩

Don't forget the 2nd Annual Midsummer Craft Fair at the Vancouver East Cultural Centre July 31st to August 4th.

Some one sent a change of address card, blank except for postal code V3T 4W7. Please try again.

In case you wondered why the Constitution was not included in the Western Potter - we have a pretty good excuse, it got left behind at the printers!! If all goes well you will get it with this mailing, I hope. Read it carefully. There may be some amendments made and we will need your opinions.

Didn't you love the Greenbarn Pottery advertisement in the last Western Potter? I had such a good laugh over it that I hope the rest of you enjoyed it as much. Real people, those Clarke's!! AND did you notice that insert saying the Plainsman Clay will pick up half the cost of a workshop? Has anyone written for details - it sounds almost too good to be true?

Our new Executive was elected at the Annual Meeting in May. Nancy Star is our new Chairman. Many thanks to Gordon Thorlaksson for piloting us through a very difficult year.

We all promise to work hard and make this a memorable year for the Guild. Have a wonderful summer.

See you at the picnic July 12th.

Georgina Hughes.

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September 1975

Hi Folks,

Here we are again after a very busy summer, and getting ready for our first Fall Meeting on: WEDNESDAY, September 17th at 8 p.m. at the Unitarian Church at 49th and Oak St. Please note: General Meetings will be held on the THIRD WEDNESDAY of each month.

Program: Roger Stribley, a potter recently returned from Sweden will show slides and talk about pottery in Sweden. Marie von Hausmann will display the pots chosen for the Travelling Show. Contact Marie at #321-341 Springfield Drive E. Richmond, B.C., if you wish to have the show for your local group.

Please send all other mail for the Guild to the office address.

Membership fees are due on September 30th. Please send cheques or money orders ONLY to our office address. In the past there has been confusion when fees have been paid at meetings and workshops resulting in names being left off the membership list. As this is our mailing list it is very important that your correct name and address is on it. Don't forget the postal codes; phone the Post Office for yours and use the membership form at the bottom of this Newsletter.

Jane Bradish is on holidays and will be back at the office on the 7th of October to process the mail. Receipts for memberships, Hycroft etc. will be sent after that date.

All library books on loan during the summer are due at the September meeting. Our Librarian will be there to check them in for you.

HYCROFT. Sale date is November 21st. Gene Barker and her committee have done the preliminary organizing. Information and entry form will be included with this Newsletter.

KIWANIS Arts and Crafts Fair: Many potters and other craftsmen are busy preparing for this event, which takes place September 11th to 14th. Opening time is 7 p.m. Thursday, September 11th.

Jean Fahrni has informed me of an event which should be of great interest to potters. The Vancouver Society for Asian Art in co-operation with the Fort Langley Art Museum will present a unique selection of pots and tools from the early culture of Asia. Most of the pieces are products of recent excavations and have never been displayed before. This display will trace the form, decoration and finish from appr. 5000 B.C. to the Ban Chiang ware of Thailand through the Amlash and Nevaland period of ancient Iran to the later glazed wares of Islamic Persia and the Sung period of China. This exhibition runs from September 5th to 28th. The museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., except Sundays: 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesdays when it is also open from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Canada Council Art Bank will purchase works from full-time professional artists. Those interested may write to Art Bank, The Canada Council, P.O. Box 1047, Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5V8. For immediate information read the Community Arts Council of Vancouver's NEWS, September 1975.

The Craftsmen Association of B.C. is presenting a general show at their new gallery at 801 - 207 W. Hastings in Vancouver from Sept. 5th to 25th.

The group organizing the new National Guild of Potters is holding a meeting in the early fall. Have you any ideas how this group can be helpful to B.C. potters? Please send them to Nancy Star.

The City of Port Coquitlam needs a wheel potter to instruct classes at the Community Recreation Program starting in September. Anyone interested please contact their local office.

Angela McQuarrie is opening a pottery shop at Moodyville Landing, 65 Lonsdale, North Vancouver. She is taking pottery on consignment. Phone her at 987-1335 day-time or 926-4277 evenings.

Davies Flowers, 2305 - W. 44th Ave. Vancouver wants to buy pots for their shop. Contact Wayne at 261-1012.

Our program committee and all the executive are working hard to make this an active and interesting year for all our members. We hope you will support them by coming to the meetings.

There will be a Western Potter coming out in the early fall. Any articles should be sent to our office, c/o Ruth Meehan, as soon as possible. Any items for the October Newsletter should be in by September 25th, addressed to the office, c/o Georgina Hughes. We would like to get the Newsletter in the mail by October 1st.

Hope you all had a happy summer and are full of energy and enthusiasm for the busy months ahead. Remember to save some of your best pots for the Sale at Hycroft. This will be our 10th Sale so let's make it the biggest and best ever.

See you on September the 17th.

Georgina Hughes

Clip and mail

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION or RENEWAL of MEMBERSHIP

I would like to become a member of the Potters Guild of B.C.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

POSTAL CODE _____ TELEPHONE _____

(phone your Post Office for yours)

Membership fees: \$7.00 ... Lower Mainland & Fraser Valley
 \$5.00 ... Other Areas
 \$3.00 ... Students, full time at acknowledged
 educ. institutions. Please provide proof.
 \$7.00 ... Group Membership, 10 or more members.

Send with cheques or money orders ONLY to:

The Potters Guild of B.C.
 Chairman Membership Committee
 315 W. Cordova Street
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NEWSLETTER

October, 1975

Dear Potters:

Our next General Meeting date is Wednesday, October 15th at 8:00 p.m. at the Unitarian Church at 49th and Oak Street in Vancouver. Remember our meetings are the THIRD WEDNESDAY of each month this year. Mark those dates on your calendar now so you don't miss them. This is a nice meeting place and we would like to see you there.

PROGRAM: This month's program is one in which you can all participate - sort of a "Do it Yourself" program. Please bring your good ideas, your problems, or your solutions to problems. Any ideas that have made your studio more efficient, your solutions may solve someone's problems and in turn someone may have the answer to your difficulties. Where possible please bring a pot or whatever is required to illustrate your point. I think this could be most informative and great fun.

Membership fees were due on September 30th. Please pay promptly - remember you pay a lower commission at the annual sale - 25% instead of 40% for non members.

Travelling Show: Marie von Hausmann displayed this show at the last meeting. It is an excellent collection of porcelain, salt glazed and lustre glazed ware and photo decal. Marie has spent much time and effort assembling this show and we are very grateful to her. To date there have been very few requests from people who wish to display this show in their community. Shipping charges are being equalized so the cost should be approximately ten dollars to each group. Come on folks - let us know soon when you would like this show so Marie can plan an itinerary. She hopes to get it on the road by mid October.

The show of ancient pottery at the Fort Langley Museum has been extended to October 12th. It is beautifully displayed and has been thoroughly enjoyed by all who have seen it. Don't miss it!!

The dates for the B.C. Craftsmen Association Show were changed to September 27th to October 16th. Their gallery is at 801-207 West Hastings in Vancouver and the show is open from 10a.m. - 3p.m. Monday to Friday.

There is a Commissions Registry at the B.C.C.A. office and I am told that potters are very sparsely represented. Anyone interested in working on commissions can have a sheet of twenty slides or prints of their work included in this registry. These can be shown to prospective customers who come to the gallery and who will then contact the potter. For further information contact Rebecca Davies, Marketing Chairperson, at their office: Phone number is 681-9613, or write to 801-207 W. Hastings, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 1H7.

WESTERN POTTER: The reason there hasn't been one is that our editor, Ruth Meehan, has been waiting and WAITING for promised articles and to date has received very little. Remember the editor's job is to "edit" what is sent to her, not write the whole thing! The prospects for an early issue look rather bleak at present but if you'll get those articles in soon it will be a great help. If any of you have visited any interesting galleries, fairs, potters etc., during your vacation we'd love to hear about it. Reports of workshops or other activities in your area are all welcome.

Canada Council Grants: Aid to Artists applications are due on October 15th. Write to : The Canada Council, Arts Awards Service, P.O. Box 1047, Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5V8.

MEXICO: Would you like to go to the World Crafts Council's Conference in Mexico, June 6th - 12th, 1976? Brenda Davie has very kindly offered to organize a group from B.C. and has found that fares and accommodations are quite reasonable. Applications must be made early as possible as only 900 from outside Mexico can attend. Write for your reservation at the Conference to: Canadian Crafts Council, Suite 16, 46 Elgin Street, Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5K6. Contact Brenda at 929-3136 or write to her at: 882 Friar Crescent, North Vancouver, B.C. V7G 1M7, regarding the trip.

HYCROFT: Applications are pouring in!! It is very gratifying to get such a response after letting you down last year. Besides everyone selling lots of pots, and the boost to the Guild's bank account, it is really great to see all those potters together. The people at Hycroft are very happy to have us back again and we are very happy to be there. Bring only your good pots - no seconds please. Make sure your vases, mugs, jugs, tea pots, etc. hold water and smooth those scratchy bottoms. As Harry Davis said: "Respect the other craftsman, especially the French polisher."

If you've missed Hiro at the House of Ceramics these past few months it is because he has been making pots day and night for his show, with Muriel Parfitt, opening at his gallery at 7:30 p.m. on October 6th. Hiro is leaving shortly after for a well earned holiday. Following this show comes one by Wayne Ngan and later on Marjory Johnston will show her pottery there. Hiro keeps a constant flow of interesting shows through his gallery and has made a very significant contribution to our community. Many thanks Hiro and happy holidays.

The Huyghe Pottery at 4430 West 10th Ave., in Vancouver has a studio space available from October 1st. Please phone Michael at 228-0123.

Sorry I missed the opening of the new Surrey Art Gallery on September 13th. It is located in Bear Creek Park at 13750-88th Street adjacent to the Surrey Centennial Arts Centre. The opening event was a group showing of works by artists in the Surrey area.

Ceramics Seminar: The 5th Ceramics Seminar at Malaspina College is being held on October 25th. Registration forms must be in by October 18th. This event is becoming bigger and better and more popular every year. The program is very impressive and I'm really looking forward to it. If you want to get inspired that's the place to go! For registration forms write to: Ceramics Seminar, Art Department Malaspina College, 375 Kennedy Street, Nanaimo, B.C. Registration fee is \$15.00 and includes a buffet lunch. In the event of a mail strike contact the Registrar's office to reserve a space. Payment IN CASH to be made at the Seminar Information Desk at 8:15 a.m. on October 25th. A Juried Show is always a part of this event so take one of your best pots.

Hope to see great numbers of you at our meeting and at Malaspina. In the meantime, good potting!

Georgina Hughes

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Enclose (cheque or money order) for \$3.00.

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